

please, on your resolution?

SENATOR LYNCH: Yes, Mr. President, thank you. I wasn't going to say much but I feel obliged since there has been some conversation about this kind of a resolution to make a statement or two. The statement of the resolution does not make promises on purpose. That is not our place or purpose here this morning. It is simply to draw attention to how necessary it is to keep what industry we have in Nebraska and what we have left here, especially those corporations that have corporate headquarters in our state. That is significant to the growth of that corporation and it adds weight to their willingness to continue to grow in proportion in the state in more ways than they would if their corporate headquarters were out of state. I think we all know what the biggest problem is in our state, it has to do with attitude, simply. Okay. It has to do with attitude. I would like to think that we're all part of the problem and it is the attitude displayed this morning that is, in fact, part of our problem. We shouldn't give up trying in any case to try to keep this kind of industry in our state. However, we might think that this will serve no good purpose. I, for one, am convinced after talking with a number of CEOs, chief executive officers, one very important one that just came to our town, is that we have to, by resolutions like this, affect the attitude of chief executive officers and others as they gather around the country. I think we all know this. I think people from the Chamber of Commerce know this and organized neighbors know this. When they talk about moving into Nebraska they say, what in the world are you going into Nebraska for? You know, you can go to Georgia, you can go to Texas, you can go to New York. They talk about things that have nothing to do with taxes. They talk about things that have very little to do with the environment of the business community. They simply talk about other things that might be important to people with a lot of money and those kind of things that affect their lifestyle and their wives' lifestyle, for that matter. I think we could help an awful lot in our state if our chief executive officers, as they travel around the state, would, in fact, say some good things and be positive. And this resolution is simply intended to be a positive statement that we think they are important. We say to Mr. Harper, we would like you to be positive about Nebraska. We think we have an awful lot of good things in this state and a lot to offer, but we need your help. There is a lot more to do...more to do with this move, I'm sure, than dollars. It has to do with the environment created in this state because we don't take enough time to let people like CEOs know that we